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Sylmar Man Sentenced to Life for Killing Mother

A 29-year-old man was sentenced today to 21 years to life in state prison for stabbing his mother to death at their Sylmar home, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Deputy District Attorney Julie Kramer said Freddie Sanchez of Sylmar was found guilty on Oct. 1 of one count each of first-degree murder and assault with a deadly weapon in case PAO80143.

On March 25, Sanchez killed his mother, Matilde, 58, with a large kitchen knife, according to court testimony from family members who were at the home at the time. The previous evening, Sanchez had assaulted his father with a radio, according to court testimony.

Sanchez also was convicted of misdemeanor disobeying a court order for being within 100 yards from his father.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department, Mission Division.

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About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the <u>Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office</u> prosecuted more than 71,000 felony defendants and nearly 112,000 misdemeanor defendants.